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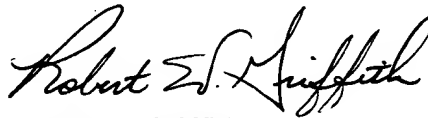
Submitted herewith are the following documents relating to the above-identified patent:

- (1) Request for Certificate of Correction for PTO Mistake Under 37 C.F.R. §1.322(a); and
- (2) Certificate of Correction.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.322(a), Applicants hereby request the issuance of a Certificate of Correction with respect to errors in the above-identified patent.

The errors are set forth on the proposed Certificate of Correction (PTO-1050) submitted herewith.

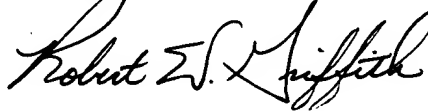
The errors are Patent Office's mistakes, namely, typographical errors. Accordingly, this Certificate should be issued pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.322(a).

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

**In the Specification:**

In column 11, line 67, please change " $V_{l,b,k}$ " to  $-V_{i,b,k}$  --.

In column 12, line 16, please change " $V_{l,b,k}$ " to  $-V_{i,b,k}$  ---.

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